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Case No. 10269/3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Takumi Mizokawa et al.

Serial No: 09/490,507

Examiner: Bratlie, S.

Filed: January 25, 2000

Group Art Unit: 3652

For: CONVEYANCE SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Office Action mailed May 9, 2001, states that the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species. Claim 1 is suggested to be generic. The suggested species are:

Species A Figures 3-6;
Species B Figure 7;
Species C Figure 8;
Species D Figure 9;
Species E Figure 10;
Species F Figure 11;
Species G Figure 12; and
Species H Figure 13.

In response to the requirement, Applicants tentatively elect to prosecute species A (Figures 3-6). Claims 2-13 are believed to be readable on the drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 5, 2001



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Inventor(s) Takumi Mizokawa et al.			
Title of Invention CONVEYANCE SYSTEM			

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- ☒ Transmitted herewith is Response to Election/Restriction Requirement.
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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